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In re Patent Application of:
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For: VALVE METAL-OXIDE POWDER AND
METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAID POWDER

Examiner: J. Fiorito

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the final Office Action dated January 6, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Pending Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.